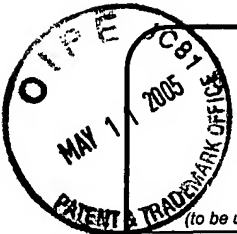


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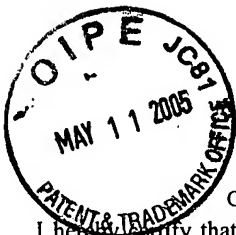
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Applicants hereby expressly abandon this application in favor of its continuation-in-part, Serial No. 10/897,769 filed July 22, 2004.

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